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Dear Dr. Hashim:

I am representing the Fifth International Conference on the Chemistry and Biology of Mineralized Tissues. The constituents of this meeting of approximately 40 registrants includes basic scientists, orthopedic scientists, endocrinologists and dentists interested in advancing our understanding of the mineralized tissue in health and disease. The books resulting from these Conferences have a high citation value showing the impact of this meeting. The format of the meeting (Gordon Conference style) permits maximum interaction among participants and attracts attendants from industry with interests in the mineralized connective tissue and cellular interactions with mineral containing biomaterials.

The Program is a mixture of Overview presentations by internationally recognized experts, as well as papers chosen from submitted abstracts, enabling the presentation of up-to-date, state-of-the-art material. Examples of the range of oral presentations can be seen from the enclosed index of the 4th International Conference publication.

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We seek funds to support the meeting, particularly young investigators (more than half of the expected participants). Because attendees eat their meals together, this meeting provides a unique opportunity for young investigators to spend constructive time with established investigators. To enable these young investigators to attend the Conference we seek to raise \$150,000. To do this, we are offering you the sponsoring opportunity on the attached list.

Because of your company's interest in these areas, we hope you will be able to support this meeting. While the meeting is planned for October, 1995 in Kohler, Wisconsin, we would appreciate receiving word of your pledge as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

Adele Boskey, Ph.D.
Conference Co-Chair

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